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In re Application of:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned has reviewed the evidentiary documents, specifically the Assignment to MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC referenced below, and certifies that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of the Assignee.

Pursuant to MPEP § 324(2), the undersigned avers that he is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of assignee.

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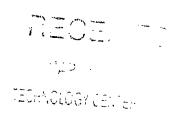
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Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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